REMARKS

Claims 1-69 are currently pending in the present application. Claims 1-28 and 44-69 have been allowed. Claims 29, 33, 42, and 43 stand rejected and claims 30-32 and 34-41 have been objected to. Claims 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 42 and 61 have been amended herein, and Claims 70-75 have been added as new claims. No new matter has been added. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

The Examiner has rejected Claims 29 and 33 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Chow et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,389,317). Furthermore, Claims 42 and 43 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Chow et al. These rejections are respectfully traversed. For example, a prima facie case of obviousness has not been properly alleged. Notwithstanding, independent Claim 29 has been amended to add the nanoparticle feature of allowable dependent Claim 30. Support can also be found in at least originally filed Paragraph Nos. [0011] and [0035]-[0038]. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the instant rejections be withdrawn.

New Claim 70 has also been added. This is supported by at least originally filed Paragraph No. [0018]. New Claim 71 has also been added. It is supported by at least originally filed Paragraph Nos. [0043], [0044] and [0046]. Furthermore, new Claim 72 is supported by at least Paragraph No. [0046], new Claim 73 is supported by at least Paragraph No. [0047], new Claim 74 by Paragraph Nos. [0048] and [0049], and new Claim 75 by Paragraph Nos. [0059] and [0060].

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

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